

COUNCIL SESSION BECOMES POLITICAL FREE-FOR-ALL AS POWELL-MURRAY TAKE OVER

(Continued from Page 1-A) bit later apologized to Mayor McGuire.

"If you say I was in wrong in making my remarks," he told the Mayor, "I apologize to you and Mr. Bartlett. I'm sorry you didn't stop me. I didn't intend to make a political speech."

Nominates "Public Enemy." Babbitt described how he circulated Powell and Murray's petitions "and got 10 signatures—more than enough—from some of the nicest homes in Torrance." He reported how the petitions were photostated and asserted the originals had "disappeared from the files of the city clerk—a statement not borne out by the facts because they are still in the city archives and according to City Clerk Bartlett 'always have been since they were presented.'"

"I claim Bartlett violated his oath of office," Babbitt continued in stating that the city clerk refused to file the recalled officials' petitions with the rest of the candidates for election to succeed them Sept. 10. "It's not up to him to say who can and who cannot run for office. Bartlett trampled on the rights of others and neglected his duties. I think he has good right to be nominated Public Enemy No. 1. I don't think we've got a democratic deal."

Babbitt also mentioned his years of teaching, his interest in the schools under Los Angeles city board administration and accused former City Auditor C. J. Rambo of "getting \$1,000 from the city in the school fight here several years ago as a super-snooper and he didn't do anything for it."

Water Is Criticized. Charles Elman, former Torrance business man and resident of Los Angeles, defended the city clerk; G. L. King of Plaza del Amo, pointed out "this city council chamber is not established for electioneering purposes" and Mayor McGuire made the first of his two admonitions to the audience to refrain from the discussion of political matters having no bearing on city business.

William T. Klusman, however, continued the "free-for-all" with an attack on Superintendent William H. Stanger, of the water department and the claim that "our water stinks." Mrs. Matilda Winters of the Erwin hotel countered this assertion with the quiet statement that "our guests compliment us on the lovely nice drinking water we have in Torrance," but Joseph Madore supported Klusman's description of the water.

The "water angle" was dropped when F. M. Kreckow stated "this confab over the election is very foolish" and then extolled Powell and Murray. "I understand there is an attempt to recall the rest of the council," he reported. Babbitt offered his apologies to the mayor and Bartlett and Mrs. Lela Gonner endorsed the recalled officials, while J. M. Wright declared the "attack on the city clerk is entirely out of order. The clerk, as I understand it, was instructed by the city attorney to take the action he did on Powell and Murray's nomination petitions."

Murray Attacks Bartlett. "I accept Tom Babbitt's apology," City Clerk Bartlett began. "All of this election has been a nightmare to me. I have no personal feeling in the election and I'm trying to do the right thing. I'm going on the best legal advice I can get in the county."

While he was speaking Murray and friends in the front row were laughing loudly at him. Bartlett said: "You can laugh, Mr. Murray, but that is how I feel!"

Murray jumped to his feet and declared: "Sure, I laughed at him and I will continue to laugh at him. The things he was saying were deliberate lies and I laugh at him. He's lying. We have to go to the Court of Appeals to get a writ of mandate to get our names on the city election ballot. I ask the city attorney if he gave his opinion that we could not run again or if he instructed Bartlett to keep our names off the ballot?"

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Powell Haps Mayor. City Attorney John E. McCall said: "Mr. Murray, my opinion speaks for itself," but this did not stop the former councilman.

"I've taken a whole lot in this council chamber and I won't take any more," he shouted. "You'll put our names on the ballot, Bart, or be in court Monday morning. When a man lies to me the place to correct him is right here and I'm doing it."

As Murray subsided, Powell arose out of the audience to take the rostrum. First he criticized Mayor McGuire for "allowing people outside the city to harangue us here" referring to Elman.

"Mr. Powell, it is the privilege of anyone to come here and speak," the mayor informed him. "We don't bar anyone but I do think this is not the time or the place for a political meeting."

Arizona Official Present. "Let's have fair play here," Powell stormed. "We'll be back in here and there will be fair play in this council then." He turned on Bartlett and asserted: "We checked you on your claim you were going to get assistance from Kerr's (registrar of voters) office in checking over the petitions for our recall. We found you lied. Now, why, if you're so honest, why did you lie like that? I used to track rabbits in the snow and they seldom got away from me," he added.

Charging other "instances of irregularities" would "come up later," Powell ended his speech with the declaration: "We're in here fighting and I don't fear you, Bart, or what's back of you."

Bartlett, desiring to reply to the accusations flung by Powell and Murray conferred with Mayor McGuire over asking for the privilege to speak but was advised by the mayor: "You'd be wasting your time." The meeting adjourned but the audience remained. Murray continued to brand Bartlett by the "short and ugly word" while others milled about for another 15 or 20 minutes discussing the "fireworks."

One of the interested spectators was Dan E. Garvey, assistant secretary of state of Arizona, who was accompanied by his sister-in-law, Mrs. Harriett Leech of this city. Interviewed afterward, he said he had "enjoyed" the session and, while it reminded him of his days as a city councilman, Garvey said "nothing as undignified as this ever happened while I was in office."

Gilmeister's Job Ends Tomorrow

(Continued from Page 1) meister will be retained by the city as manager of the bus lines, which position he has held without pay for the past year in addition to acting as chamber secretary. Up to the present, however, Gilmeister's salary has been paid entirely out of the chamber budget.

Miss Dorothy Jensen, who has been assistant secretary of the chamber and has also done much clerical work for the bus lines, has accepted a position with the National Supply Company.

Miss Kathleen Cockrum of Goldthwaite, Tex., arrived last Wednesday to spend the summer here. She and Mrs. A. Lazaratto of 1023 Cota ave. enjoyed a reunion, their first since college days more than ten years ago.

ENCOURAGING. According to report from the County Health Department, there have been only half as many cases of poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis) to date this year as in average non-epidemic years. Since it is now the middle of the poliomyelitis season, the report presents an encouraging picture.

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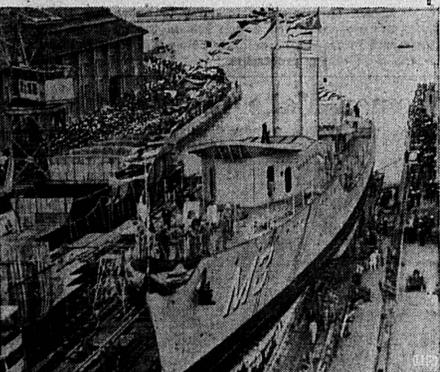
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The premier livestock show held each year in conjunction with Los Angeles County Fair in Pomona, promises to be the largest of them all this year as a result of the stimulation given the entire industry by war time demands. This is particularly true of the swine division, where the entries promise to swamp the facilities. Here pretty Jerry Clark is shown caressing one of the little porkers, who, with his ten brothers and sisters, will be on display.

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Edward Hills Succumbs

Edward L. Hills, well-known Lomita resident at 2166 236th st. for the past 20 years, succumbed at Torrance Memorial hospital last night from complications following amputation of his right leg yesterday. The operation was considered necessary because he was suffering from a malignant growth on his limb. Mr. Hills was 82 years of age.

He was a retired Redondo Beach water department employee and is survived by his wife, Ella, whom he married 50 years ago, and his daughter, Mrs. Bess Tufts of Lomita. The body is at the A. M. Gamby Mortuary where funeral arrangements are being made.

Mrs. E. E. Banks entertained as her weekend guest, Mrs. W. H. Freeman of Phoenix, Arizona.

People and what they are doing

Dr. Katherine F. Siskerman left this week for San Francisco and Des Moines, Iowa where she will be the guest of Dr. George W. Frank, surgeon-general of V. F. W. hospital. Later she will attend the national convention for chiropractors. She plans to return to Torrance early in September.

Dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Derouin at an informal outdoor supper party Saturday evening were Harold De Peel of Glendale, Army Air Corps, and Freddy Graham, Messrs. and Mmes. Pete Colombo, Francis Derouin and Von Bergen.

Ralph Pegors, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry H. Pegors, was host last week to his Boy Scout Troop No. 219 in an overnight trip to Catalina aboard his parent's cabin cruiser. The troop stayed overnight in the island waters where fishing and swimming were enjoyed.

Dr. R. A. Bingham is vacationing in the High Sierras. Ernest Woodbridge, recently returned from the U. S. Navy, following a visit at the E. W. Smith home here, left Saturday for his home in Weatherford, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tolson will attend the wedding of their niece, Miss Esther Woodward, to Mr. David Hugh Burcham this evening at Calvary Presbyterian church in Long Beach.

Mrs. L. D. Redman of 1626 Am-apola ave., will leave Saturday morning for San Francisco to join Lieut. Redman who will arrive there Tuesday from Edgewood, Maryland, where he has been attending a chemical warfare school.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Fletcher are entertaining as their house guest, her sister, Mrs. W. L. Workinger of York, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Winters and son are expected home from a vacation trip at Yellowstone Park.

LAST Round-Up

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President Roosevelt has proclaimed a RIGID RESTRICTION on Liberal Installment Buying. In a few days, Federal Regulations Prohibiting LOW DOWN PAYMENTS and LONG TERMS will be issued. Wholesale prices are RAPIDLY ADVANCING, and merchandise is hard to get — even impossible in many lines.

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